

**PERRY COUNTY COUNCIL
MINUTES – APRIL 26, 2012**

The Perry County Council met on the above date at 4:30 p.m. as was duly advertised. Council members in attendance were: President Alan Cassidy, Stan Goffinet, Merle Doogs, Steve Goodson, James Adams, Chet Mathena and Ron Crawford Sr. Kevin Koelling, media representative from the Perry County News, was also present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the meetings on March 7th, March 22 and April 9th, 2012 had been mailed to each council member for their review. Jim made a motion to approve the minutes, and Stan seconded the motion. The motion carried 7-0.

TRANSFERS

Perry County Sheriff Lee Chestnut requested a transfer from Part-Time Police Officer to Deputies-Holiday Pay in the amount of \$10,057.00, within the Sheriffs budget. He also requested a transfer of \$10,851.00 from Part-Time Jail Officers Salary to Jail Officers Holiday Pay within the Jail budget. Lee explained that these transfers were necessary to pay the deputies and jailors for the holidays instead of giving them comp time, and will be much easier when doing the scheduling. Lee stated that by working the current employees on holidays he will not need as many part-time employees.

Perry County Clerk, Jean Schulthise, requested a transfer from within the Election Budget in the amount of \$300 from Office Supplies to Equipment Repair.

The council had before them two transfer requests within the County User Fee fund as follows. Prosecutor Rod Acchiardo requested a transfer of \$16,123.70 from County User Fee fund to the Pretrial Diversion fund. Judge Lucy Goffinet requested a transfer of \$825.00 from County User Fee fund to Jury Fee Fund.

Steve made the motion to approve the requests and Chet seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

TRANSFER APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

CC-12-05

WHEREAS, IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT IT IS NOW NECESSARY TO TRANSFER MONEY FROM ONE MAJOR BUDGET CLASSIFICATION TO ANOTHER MAJOR BUDGET CLASSIFICATION IN THE FOLLOWING NAMED BUDGET; NOW THEREFORE:

SEC. 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF PERRY COUNTY, PERRY COUNTY, INDIANA, THAT THE FOLLOWING TRANSFERS BE MADE IN THE FOLLOWING MADE BUDGET:

COUNTY GENERAL FUND

TRANSFER \$ 10,057.00

FROM:	ACCOUNT #0101-005-1000.21	
	PART TIME POLICE OFFICER	\$ 10,057.00
TO:	ACCOUNT #0101-005-1000.25	
	DEPUTIES-HOLIDAY PAY	
WITHIN:	SHERIFF'S BUDGET	

TRANSFER \$ 300.00

FROM: ACCOUNT #0101-062-2000.11
OFFICE SUPPLIES \$ 300.00
TO: ACCOUNT #0101-062-3000.62
EQUIPMENT REPAIR
WITHIN: ELECTION BUDGET

TRANSFER \$ 10,851.00

FROM: ACCOUNT #0101-380-1000.17
PART TIME JAIL OFFICERS SALARY \$ 10,851.00
TO: ACCOUNT #0101-380-1000.25
JAIL OFFICERS HOLIDAY PAY
WITHIN: JAIL BUDGET

COUNTY USER FEE FUND

TRANSFER \$ 825.00

FROM: ACCOUNT #1152
COUNTY USER FEE FUND \$ 825.00
TO: ACCOUNT #0501
JURY FEE FUND
WITHIN: CIRCUIT COURT BUDGET

TRANSFER \$ 16,123.70

FROM: ACCOUNT #1152
COUNTY USER FEE FUND \$ 16,123.70
TO: ACCOUNT #0511
PRETRIAL DIVERSION BUDGET
WITHIN: PROSECUTING ATTORNEY BUDGET

ADOPTED THIS 26th DAY OF APRIL, 2012

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**ALAN CASSIDY /S/
STAN GOFFINET /S/
MERLE DOOGS /S/
STEVE GOODSON /S/
JAMES K. ADAMS /S/
CHESTER MATHENA /S/
RON CRAWFORD SR. /S/**

**ATTEST:
CONNIE A. BERGER
PERRY COUNTY AUDITOR**

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

Sheriff Lee Chestnut requested an additional appropriation within the Sheriffs budget for Training in the amount of \$2,000.00. He explained that the deputies and jailors are required to attend training sessions.

The Sheriff also requested an additional appropriation within the Jail budget for Repairs Building & Fixtures in the amount of \$1,339.00. Lee explained that this request is additional funding is needed in order to repair the fire alarm system within the building.

Jim made the motion to approve both requests within the County General fund and Stan seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Perry County Assessor, Mendy Lassaline, requested an additional appropriation request in the amount of \$83,000.00 within the Property Ressment-2015 fund for Cyclical Reassessment. Mendy attended the meeting and explained that in March of this year SB 19 (Cyclical Reassessment) was signed by the Governor. She explained that 1/3 of the county will have to be physically inspected over the next 3 years. She also explained that at the last County Commissioners meeting they accepted a bid from Tyler Technology to perform the work, if the County Council approved the additional request. Mendy stated that the bid came in at a price of \$82,725.00 for the first year and \$76,200.00 for year two and \$75,650 for the third year. Tyler Technology has a full time staff member in the county that reviews the county. Tyler Technology helps with the ratio study, sales data for trending, submits reports to the DLGF along with many other duties. Mendy stated Leopold Township had just recently been reviewed and they found new improvements missing from the tax roll totaling \$1,291,300 in assessed value and only had received permits totaling \$39,600 in improvements.

Perry County Circuit Court Judge Lucy Goffinet requested an additional appropriation within the Supplemental Adult Probation Fund in the amount of \$1,298.00 for Computer Equipment.

Stan made the motion to approve the additional appropriation request in the amount of \$82,730.00 for the Property Reassessment 2015 fund, and the request within the Supplement Adult Probation fund. Ron seconded the motion, and motion carried 7-0.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE NO. 12-CC-05

WHEREAS, IT HAS BEEN DETERMINED THAT IT IS NOW NECESSARY TO APPROPRIATE MORE MONEY THAN WAS APPROPRIATED IN THE ANNUAL BUDGET; NOW, THEREFORE:

SEC. 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF PERRY COUNTY, PERRY COUNTY, INDIANA, THAT FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE TAXING UNIT THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL SUMS OF MONEY ARE HEREBY APPROPRIATED OUT OF THE FUNDS NAMED AND FOR THE PURPOSES SPECIFIED, SUBJECT TO LAWS GOVERNING THE SAME:

COUNTY GENERAL FUND	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	AYE	NAY
<u>SHERIFF</u>				
#0101-005-3000.97 TRAINING	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00	7	0
<u>JAIL</u>				
#0101-380-3000.61 REPAIRS-BUILDING& FIXTURES	\$ 1,339.00	\$ 1,339.00	7	0
COUNTY GENERAL FUND TOTAL:	\$ 3,339.00	\$ 3,339.00		
<u>PROPERTY REASSESSMENT 2015 FUND</u>				
<u>ASSESSOR</u>				
#0124-008-3000.15 CYCLICAL REASSESSMENT	\$ 83,000.00	\$ 82,730.00	7	0
PROPERTY REASSESSMENT 2015 FUND TOTAL:	\$ 83,000.00	\$ 82,730.00		

SUPPLEMENTAL ADULT PROBATION FUND

PERRY CIRCUIT COURT
#0507-232-4000.44 \$ 1,298.00 \$ 1,298.00 7 0
COMPUTER EQUIPMENT

**SUPPLEMENTAL ADULT
PROBATION FUND TOTAL:\$ 1,298.00 \$ 1,298.00**

ADOPTED THIS 26th DAY OF APRIL, 2012

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ALAN CASSIDY /S/
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RON CRAWFORD SR. /S/

**ATTEST:
CONNIE A. BERGER
PERRY COUNTY AUDITOR**

AMENDMENT TO SALARY ORDINANCE

Sheriff Lee Chestnut had an amendment to the salary ordinance in order to pay holiday pay to the deputies and jailors. The amendment was as follows: 1st and 2nd sheriff deputies \$18.51 per hour; 3rd – 6th sheriff deputies \$17.82 per hour; jail officers \$12.33 per hour and jail officers/asst matron \$12.33 per hour. Merle made the motion to amend the salary ordinance and Jim seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

ORDINANCE- IMPOSING ADDITIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCOME TAX

County Attorney, Chris Goffinet, attended the meeting and reminded the county council members that they had adopted the additional income tax for the jail project. At this meeting he was asking that they approve an ordinance imposing the additional Economic Development Income Tax. He explained that the tax rate will be effective October 1, 2012 and will expire when the bonds are paid off. Chris stated that the items listed in the ordinance that the money can be used for are set by state statute and some of the items may not apply to the jail project. The imposed tax will be an additional five-tenths of one percent (0.5%) on the adjusted gross income of County taxpayers. Chet made the motion to approve the ordinance and Jim seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0. (See Attachment “A” Ordinance No. O-CC-12-1)

TAX ABATEMENT

Jeff Jones with ATTC attending the meeting and explained that ATTC was requesting two tax abatements for additions that they will be making to the current building. He explained that the total cost of the project will be approximately \$600,000, and they are asking for a 10 year abatement on each request. No additional jobs will be added because the one area will be for additional storage and the other addition will be an employee break and training room. Chet commented that is a win-win situation for the county. Council Attorney, Jim Tyler explained that he had prepared a separate resolution for each improvement for the council’s consideration. He explained that the resolutions would be advertised in the local paper and they would give the citizens an opportunity to comment at the next county council meeting. He said the council will have confirmatory resolutions at their next meeting to consider. He explained that this will extend the time frame on the ERA from 2021 to 2022. Chet made the motion to approve the resolutions and Steve seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0. (See Attachment “B” & “C” Resolution No’s R-C-12-1 and R-C-12-2)

ORDINANCE – PARK & RECREATION

Park & Recreation Director, Adam Temple, attended the meeting and explained that the department is trying to expand the department and are looking at ways to make additional money that could be used for future projects. He stated they would like to sponsor a 5K walk/run at the Derby Festival this fall. They would be collecting donations and sponsorship monies to run this activity and other activities. The money collected would be placed into a non-reverting fund, and before any money can be used from the fund the County Council would have to approve any additional appropriation requests. Stan made the motion to approve the Ordinance to Establish a Non-Reverting Operating Fund for the Parks & Recreation Department. Jim seconded the motion, and motion carried 7-0. (See attachment “D” Ordinance No. O-CC-12-2)

PLANNING & ZONING

Robert J. Harding, President of the Planning & Zoning, attended the meeting to discuss several items that he felt needed to be discussed between the Planning & Zoning and the County Council. He explained that the current comprehensive plan was over 20 years old and should be updated. He was not sure what the cost of a plan would be, but it would look good for the county to have a newer plan in place when new businesses are looking to locate in Perry County. Robert stated that over the last few years the council had cut their budget and last year they cut an employee and made the other position only part time. He stated that he had three requests at the meeting this evening and if the county council did not vote in favor of them then the Planning & Zoning board would dissolve this evening. His requests were as follows: 1. Fund a full time administrator and a full time administrative assistant with benefits and the board reserves the right to help set the salaries on these positions; 2. Fund the development of a comprehensive plan and 3. The board members pay would increase from \$20 a meeting to \$40 a meeting, and anything else other than a regular meeting they would receive \$11 per meeting plus mileage. He also stated that the pay changes for board members would be retroactive to the first of the year. Council member Stan Goffinet explained that when they reviewed the number of permits being issued and the cost to operate the office it did not justify having the office open 35 hours a week. He asked how often the Planning & Zoning Board met and Robert replied that they only meet when something comes up. Council Attorney, Jim Tyler stated that Mr. Harding had not provided enough information at the meeting this evening for the Council to make a decisions. He also stated that if a comprehensive plan was to be done it would be the Commissioners not the County Council members that would pass the plan. After much discussion by all attending the meeting the County Council members asked Robert J. Harding to provide them with more information and figures before they could make any discussions. Stan made a motion to table this matter until more information can be obtained. Jim seconded the motion and motion carried 7-0.

TELL CITY-PERRY COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Alan presented the above-mentioned library report for the month of March 2012 for public viewing, of which each member had a copy before them.

There being no further business to come before the council, Stan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Merle seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0, with adjournment at 5:30 p.m.

Minutes approved this 24th day of May 2012.

President, Perry County Council

*Minutes prepared by:
Connie A. Berger, Perry County Auditor*